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Subject: Fruitland Magnesium Fire Response PIO Update 7/6/2016

Hi everyone:

I wanted to catch everyone up on activities in the JIC for the Fruitland Magnesium Fire Response this week.

We continue to prepare documents for residents as their homes are cleared for re-occupancy. Each residence receives a fact sheet explaining what testing was done in their homes, what cleaning was done, and that the Public Health Officer for LA County Department of Public Health has approved their moving home.

On Tuesday we prepared a Site Bulletin Update and distributed it to the news media, elected officials, and posted on the websites for 211LA and DPH. We also completed our first FAQ fact sheet and distributed it in both English and Spanish to the community. Two news stories were generated as a result of the news brief that was sent out:

- NBC Channel 4: "Significant Accomplishments" Made in Maywood Fire Cleanup: Officials
- Univision: Más de 40 familias no pueden regresar a su hogar en Maywood por riesgo de contaminación (More than 40 families cannot return home in Maywood due to risk of contamination)

On Wednesday we completed work on a 2nd edition of the FAQs for those questions that weren't answered in the first FAQ. These questions come from residents visiting the Community Information Center (CIC) and questions posed during the Community Resource Fair last week. These FAQs were translated and sent out to the web pages and printed for the CIC.

The Community Resource Team met with a group of residents from 8 units to discuss their concerns about moving in. Their properties were identified as not having any ash on them, and indoor air samples showed that no site contaminants were present in their homes above our screening level (many were undetected). One of the families had contacted Telemundo television station, so a reporter showed up with them. During the conversation, Univision TV also showed up. The meeting with residents lasted over an hour, and several residents agreed to move back home. The CRT lead, Lindsey Lastra from DPH was interviewed by both stations, and residents were also interviewed. I will look for stories later tonight, as Univision was doing a live shot at 5 pm from a vantage point where they can see the facility in the background.

Staffing: Elena Neibaur arrived today, replacing David Yogi, who de-mobed this afternoon. Elena is scheduled to stay until next Wednesday, but the CIC may be finished with its work by Sunday. Romie Duarte is here through Friday, as am I. The JIC will shut down on Friday and we'll have a virtual presence as we wind down this response.

Our numbers to date: 18 homes cleared for re-occupancy, 29 homes still displaced (we evacuated another home on the south side due to health issues), and 141 people out of their homes.

Tomorrow we should receive soil data from the south side yards and will complete a fact sheet for south E. 52nd Street residents explaining the air quality data, and what was found in the soil samples. We'll also plan another Site Bulleting Update for Friday, that will discuss the JIC transition, the CIC trailer moving, and next steps.

Let me know if you have any questions.		
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